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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: MAURITANIAN FISHERIES

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FOR HANDYSIDE

1. MAJOR PROJECTS OFFICER VISITED IN SEATTLE WITH
KRAMER CHIN AND MAYO LAST WEEK AND WAS ABLE TO DISCUSS
AT LENGTH THAT FIRM'S INVOLVEMENT IN FISHERIES PROJECT.

2. SEEKS THAT INFO PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED BY FIRM WHICH
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WAS REALLY MORE OF CAPABILITIES BROCHURE THAN A BONAFIDE

PROPOSAL WAS ALL THAT THE PARTNER ACTIVELY PURSUING INTERNATIONAL WORK COULD CONVINCE THE MORE CONSERVATIVE PARTNER TO DO AT THAT TIME. HOWEVER, A FEW THINGS HAVE CHANGED:

--- A) WITH THE NEW MATERIALS WHICH SHINN SENT TO STATE FOR TRANSLATION (WHICH SOMEHOW DID NOT GET SENT TO THE TRANSLATOR AND SO HAVE BEEN DELAYED) MAYO HAS STATED THAT HE EXPECTS TO BE ABLE TO PUT SOMETHING MORE CONCRETE TOGETHER.

--- B) WILL BE WRITING TO BOTH AMB HANDYSIDE AND TO AMB AHMEDOU OULD-ABDALLAH TO REAFFIRM HIS FIRM'S INTEREST.

--- C) MAYO HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY TWO EUROPEAN ENTITIES REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF WORK THERE. IF THAT COMES THROUGH AS IT APPEARS VERY LIKELY IT WILL, A TRIP TO MAURITANIA AT KRAMER CHIN AND MAYO'S EXPENS WILL BE POSSIBLE. (THERE ARE ALSO FISHERIES PROJECTS IN NIGERIA WHICH MAKE THIS AN EVEN MORE ATTRACTIVE TRIP.)

3. MAYO IS GIVING SOME CONSIDERATION TO FORMING AN ASSOCIATION WITH A FRENCHMAN TO PURSUE WORK ON FISHERIES. MAYO WISHED MAJOR PROJECTS TO INQUIRE WHETHER A FRENCH NATIONAL WORKING WITH KRAMER CHIN, AND MAYO WOULD BE AN ASSET OR DEBIT IN MAURITANIA. YOUR ADVICE ON THIS POINT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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